Abstract:

An apparatus for forming a strip of dough comprises a framework (2) and two sets (21, 22) of superimposed rollers (23) disposed adjacent to each other and driven for rotation around their horizontal axes. The rollers (23) of each set (21, 22) are bearingly supported on a roller carrier (24) movable relative to the framework (2). The dough passes from above to below through the gap (50) remaining between the two roller sets (21, 22) which gap narrows to below. All rollers (23) of each set (21, 22) are driven in the same direction, however, the lower rollers (23) of each set (21, 22) being driven faster than the upper rollers of the same set. The roller carriers (24) of the two roller sets (21, 22) can be moved by eccentric means (36, 45) against each other or away from each other. For this, at each roller carrier (24) an eccentric (36, 45) is bearingly supported which is driven for rotation against the direction of movement of the dough. Each roller carrier (24) is bearingly supported on a further eccentric (36, 45) or on a connecting rod (51) at a point that is located higher or lower than this eccentric (36, 45). This further eccentric (36, 45) or, respectively, this connecting rod (51) is bearingly supported for rotation or pivotal movement on the framework. Thereby, the dough is gently brought into the desired shape.